SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 315

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Leslie Jones, 2013 Valedictorian of Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Jones is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class at Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Leslie has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Jones has earned an exemplary grade point average of 5.0; and

WHEREAS, Leslie has graciously dedicated her time and energies to numerous scholastic and extracurricular efforts, including serving as a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club, and Future Business Leaders of America, and as Mu Alpha Theta Vice President; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Ms. Jones has served as a St. Jude's Race for the Cure volunteer, Lake McKellar clean-up volunteer, Maggie McDowell Marathon volunteer, and Central High Tutoring Program volunteer; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Leslie Jones has been named a Commercial Appeal C Spire Academic All-Star and Advanced Placement Scholar; she is a four-year William H. Sweet Honoree; and she is a recipient of the A2 Award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jones's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a college student, during which time she plans to pursue a degree in pre-professional studies while working toward a career in medicine; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Michael Jones and Rossaline Bell, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Jones's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2013 Central High School Valedictorian, Leslie Jones, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.